

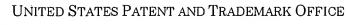
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Supplemental EXAMINER'S ANSWER

This is in response to the appeal brief filed 9-11-06 appealing from the Office action mailed 3-15-06. This action is supplemental to the Examiner's Answer mailed 10-2-06, and is merely to correct the statement on Status of Claims.

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(3) Status of Claims

The statement of the status of claims contained in the brief is incorrect. A correct statement of the status of the claims is as follows:

This appeal involves claims 1-8 and 12-40.

Claims 9-11 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

For the above reasons, it is believed that the rejections should be sustained.

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